SPRINGFIELD, OHIO, WEDNESDAY EVENING, JANUARY 28, 1885

ists. There are few purely business lobbyists among the ladies of the Capi-

are scores of women with claims,

and the rooms reserved for their recep-

tion are always full while Congress is

at the house is opposite the north door

It is a long room with great white Cor-

inthian columns running through its

center, and with a number of red-eush oned chairs and sofas around its walls.

When I entered it to-day I found it

them were dressed in the finest of gar-ments, cut after the latest styles, and

there were a number of sealskin cloaks

and not a few diamonds. Mourning, however, predominated, and I should

judge there were more soldiers' wid-

ows after pensions than society women

has charge of the room, he told me that these, in nine cases out of ten,

were young women who wanted places

in the departments, and had come to

solicit their Congressman's influence.

Said he: "You have no idea how many

office-seekers come here. There are

women from all over the country.

Many of them are deserving, and not-

withstanding what has been said about

it, I have yet to find the first question-able character in this room. If they

are bad they do not show it. We have

bers receive them, and sometimes not

Congressional kindness in this room

Last year there was a poor old woman

who used to come here and send in her

eard about once a week. The mem-

oers generally came out to see her and

ha e seen two, five, and seven \$10 bills go out of their pockets into hers.

As I leave this room I stop a mo-ment to speak to a doorkeeper I know.

He tells me that ladies sometimes try

to go into the House while it is in ses-

sion, and that during the last term one came to his door with blood in her eye

and a cowhide whip under her sealskin

cloak. She started to go inside, but was gently pulled back. She said a Congressman had ill-used her, and she

was bound to go in and horse-whip him in the presence of the House. The

threat of a policeman restrained her. -

Washington Letter to Cleveland Leader.

What They Would Do With Him.

Mrs. Great Heart's sister, Mrs. Bud-

dle, is a very charming widow. Her life with Buddle was not as harmonious

as a Theodore Thomas concert, and

when a kind fate tock him to his Fath-

er's, she determined never to marry again. Although her three sons were

young men, Mrs. Buddle still wears

her most attentive admirers is old Mr.

Straightface, who believes she is going to marry him, and regards her accord-

ingly as his pre-empted property. He was talking to her Tuesday, and in the

"My dear, what will thee do with thy

"I don't know," replied Mrs. Bud-

dle, "but they were discussing at the

what it is cracked up to be or not.

Old London Bridge.

London Bridge, had it been destroy-

ed by the dynamite plotters, would

have left a gap in metropolitan arrange-ments not easily to be filled up. This,

however, could not have been said of

the old London bridge, of which s

painful account is given in "The History

of the Principal Rivers of Great Brit

published last century.

venerable structure was 915 feet in

length. The street that covered it con

sisted, before the houses fell to decay,

of lofty edifices, built with some atten

tion to exterior regularity. It was 20 feet wide, and the buildings on either

side about twenty-six feet in depth.

Across the middle of the street ran sev-

eral lofty arches, extending from side

to side; the bottom part of each arch

terminating at the first story, and the

upper part reaching near the tops of

the houses. They were designed to

prevent the buildings from giving way;

and were therefore formed of strong

timber bolted in the corresponding

wood-work of the houses that flanked

them. Thus the street on the bridge

had nothing to distinguish it from any

narrow street in the city but the high arches described and three openings

guarded with iron rails, which afforded

ance from the water it is stated.

a view of the river. But the appear-

fled all description" and displayed a

strange example of curious deformity

Nineteen unequilateral arches of differ-

ent heights and breadths, with ster-

lings increased to a monstrous size by

frequent repairs, served to support a

range of houses as irregular as them-

selves; "the back part of which, broken

by hanging and irregular projections,

offered a very disgusting object," while many of the buildings overhung the

arches so as to hide the upper part of

them, and seemed to lean in such a

manner "as to fill the beholder with

vas London bridge in the olden times

and were it in the present day, the

dynamiters by blowing it up would

earn the gratitude of the public .- St.

A short time ago Mayor Bartlett, o

gaged in one of the interior counties, and who had jilted him, to renew the

equal amazement and horror."

James's Gazette.

engagement

course of the conversation said:

would do with you.

sweet woman.

Pretzel's Weekly.

three sons when we are married?"

OWEN, PIXLEY & CO. Ohio Valley and Tennessee: Cloudy weather generally colder, variable winds, lower be

called to a mixed lot of Fancy Shirts, which we place on sale to-day at the extreme low fig-

50° EACH.

These are the sort of Percale Shirts you so often see advertised at a half more money. Deceiving Percale. Percale that's not Percale at all. Twelve dozen in the lot, and eighteen different patterns. Quick.

8 STYLES.

Some Shirts, some Drawers. Eight different colorings in Fine All Wool Garments. The pick of the lot for a dollar, and allow me to say right here, these are the best value of anything in this line we have offered this season.

4 STYLES.

In this lot there are 10 dozen Men's Shirts and Drawers-Blue Mixed, Gray Mixed, Hair-line Stripes and Plain White -- a moderate number of each. They are of the quality usually sold at 40c and held at the half-price shops at 35c. Our figures on them from now out 25c per garment.

4 STYLES

In Men's Shirts and Drawers of Superior Textures at 75c each. All Wool Medicated Scarlets, Heavy Gray LL. Mackinaws, Fine B. L. Scotch Gray "Bonnie Laddie," Conger's Patent Chest bhield, with Double Seated Drawers and Open Back Shirts.

7 STYLES

In Shaker Kuit Long Socks, Heavy All Wool Medicated Scarlets 25c, Heavy Blue Mixed Double Toe and Heel 25c. another and better in same coloring 30c, Brown Mixed with Double Heels and Toes, two extremes, white 35c. Two grades in real Camel's Hair with 4-thread Heel and Toe and Toes, the very best the day, January 19th, two market affords and fully equal to any Grandma's make 40c.

12 STYLES.

Little Boys' Knee Pant Suits, mostly small sizes left, 4 to 9 years, in All Wool, Cotton and Wool and all Cotton \$2 per Suit of Blouse and Pants, another line at \$3, 18 styles, in sizes 4 to 9 years and every suit cheap at a third more. See bargain table.

ONLY ONE-PRICE CLOTHIERS.

SPRINGFIELD MARKETS.

CORRECTED BY CHAS. W. PAYSTER & CO.

Daily Report-Tuesday, Jan. 27, 1885. BUTTER-25c retail.

Eossa-Good supply; 25c.
POULTRY-Good demand; chickens, young, 20a.
k; old, 25a35c each.
APPLES -\$1 00a1 50 per bush.
POTATOES -50c ner bush. POTATOES—50c per bush.
SWEAT POTATOES—\$1.50a2 00 per bush.
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ONIONS—\$1 00 per bush.
SALT—SNOW-flake brand, \$1.30 per bbl.
COAL OIL—\$5.5a15a26c per gal.
LAND—10c

CGAR-URED MEATS-Sides, 19c; shoulders, 9c.

SUGARS—A large demand and prices low; gran-ulated, 70 per lb: "A" white, 64c per lb: extra C light, 64c per lb; yellow C, 54c per lb; C, 5c Per lb.
COFFEE-Marke lower; Java, 28a50c per lb;
Rio, golden, 18a29 per lb; Rio, prime green, 125/a
15c per lb; Rio, x amon, 19c per lb.
Syrurs-40a50a76 per gal;
Molasses-Ne Orleans, 60a50c per gal; corgham

60c per gal. RICE-Best Carolina, 834c per lb. Overnes—life per qt. Drino Applies—8 1-3c per ib.

Dates Pracues—10e per 15. Chickens—Dressed, \$2 75x\$3.35x\$3.50 per dozen TURKEVS— 12%c per lb.
DUCKS— 6 \$2.75a3.50 per doz.
RABBITS—\$1.25a1.50 per doz.

FINANCE AND TRADE.

New York Pluancial. NEW YORK, January 28.-Money easy. Bar silver 107%. Stocks weak, Oregon Navigation, on reports that the company will not pay \$20,000 due February 1st.

sold down at 143%. New York Produce Market.

Ngw Yosk, January 28.—Flour—Receipts 1,000 bris.; sales 22,000 bris; market dull and in wyers' favor. Wheat - Receipts 21,000 bu; opened easier, after-Wheat—Receipts 21,000 bu; opened easier, afterwards advanced §a56c without activity or excitete ent; No. white, nominal sales of 160,000 bu; No. 2 red, 99,409.5c, sales of 12,000 bu; March 934a 935c, sales of 96,000 bu; Arril, 835c, sales of 6000 bu; May, 945,4855c, sales of 8,000 bu; June. 95%c. Corn—Receipts 130,900 bu.

Chicago Stock Market.

Chicago, December 28 - Hogs-Receipts 180,000 head. Market fairly active and unchanged, light \$4 Sia4 70: rough packing \$4 Sia4 55; heavy packing and shipping \$4 Sua5 90. Cattle-Receipts 5,000 head. Strong exports, \$5 Sua6 75; good, \$5 25a5 50; common to fair, \$4 25a Sheep—Receipts 4,000 head. Common to chaice, \$2 25a4 75.

Cincinnati Produce Market.

INCINNATI, January 28.-Flour-Firm and unchanged.

Whest-Scarce firm at Slasse.

Corn-Active, firm and higher; No 2 mixed, 44a O ts-Quiet at 35c.

Rye—Easier at 72c. Barley—Firm and unchanged. Fork—Quiet at 12\u00e4a12\u00e4c. Lard - Easier at \$6.90. Bulk meats and Becon—Quiet and unchanged. Whisky—Active at \$1.14.

Chicago Produce Market.

EGYPT.

Metemneh Captured, After a Series of Fierce Battles.

General Stewart Wounded and General Wilson Takes Command.

Gordon Heard from and in Good Condition.

Lord Charles Beresford Pushing on to Khartoum.

Intensely Interesting News from Egypt. London, January 28.—Intelligence has just been received at the War Office that General Stewart's force is now entrenched at a point south of Metemneh, on the Nile. Dispatches also give the gratifying information that the government is in communication with General Gordon.

General Stewart's force had several fights with Arab rebels before it reached Metempeh. Stewart himself was badly wounded. Five of the Mahdi's emirs were killed in

General Wolseley's dispatch reports the capture of Metemneh by the British; and also save that Sir Charles Wilson has gone to Khartoum on the Borsd steamer, and is with Gordon. It is expected that he will return as soon as possible and report personally to Wolseley.

A dispatch from Cairo says that Lord Charles Beresford, with a small contingent, is pushing on from Metempeh to Khartoum.

Official dispatches received this atternoon from General Gordon show that his position at Khartoum is by no means as desperate as has been supposed. He says he could hold out there for years.

General Stewart's wounds are reported as

doing well. London, January 28. - The excitement ocensioned by the explosions and the great anxiety concerning the fate of General Stewart which has existed the past several days is completely obliterated to-day by the news that General Stewart had captured Me-

LONDON, 1:30 P. M., January 28 -Official lispatches indicate that the march of General Stewart and his little army, from Abu Klea wells to the present position, has been no easy task. Almost every foot of the way appears to have been sharply contested by the resolute Arab toe. There was a constant succession of encounters, from the action of the 17th until the Nile was reached, the British troops steadily gaining fresh victories and white tipped 35c and 40c, over the impulsive but easily demoralized Solid Blue with Double Heels rebels. On the morning of Mondays after the fight at Abu Klea, the enemy appeared in force in front of the advancing British army. A short, fierce battle was tought. This occurred at a point about three miles from the Nile. The British were compelled to sustain a heavy fire for some time. Early in the engagement General Stewart received his wound, and Sir Charles Wilson thereupon assumed cammand. Works were hastily constructed under the leaden rain which continued to pour upon them from the enemy's rifles. The wounded men and baggage-train were lett under guard behind quickly-built earthworks, while the rest of the force advanced, in face of a hostile fire, to a gravel ridge, some distance in front. Here a large force of rebels established themselves in a strong position. As soon as the British line came near, a fierce charge was

led against a severe fire fire, made against it by the rebel foemen. Stewart's wound, while not fatal, is so serious that he will be disabled for the remainder of the present campaign. General Welseley considers the deprivation of his services a national loss. He characterizes Stewart as the "ablest soldier and most dashing commander he ever knew," and recommends him to the Queen's most favorable consideration.

Lord Saint Vicent was with the British army. The British troops were arranged, as usual, in form of a square, and steadily advanced to meet the wild outset of the loudly cheering enemy who were rushing down upon them. At the same time the rifles of the British troops were doing bloody execution, so that not an Arab came within thirty yards of the

British square. The rebels did not long stand before the jurderous English fire, but were repulsed with heavy loss. Five Emirs and 250 men were left dead upon the field, and a large number of wounded. About the English losses tew details are yet received. It is known, however, that Cameson, special representative of the London Daily Standard. and its best special correspondent, is missing. Gen. Stewart now holds a strongly fortified sort Gubat, not tar from Metemneh, a place on the Nile, half way between Berren and Khartroum. Gubat is on a large island, on

which a plenty of torage for horses and camels is easily obtained.

CINCINNATI, January 28 .- At an early hour this morning tour men were found in a sleigh in the western part of the city, but one of whom was able to speak, one dead and the other two so drank and nearly frozen to death as to be unconscious. The dead man's name is Peter Gerber, the cause being that the party were on a spree, from early last evening, and had they not been discovered all would soon have perished from cold.

WASHINGTON, January 28 - For Ohio Valley and Tennessee: Fair, colder weather. westerly winds, becoming variable, falling baremeter in western portion, rising barometer in eastern portion.

"Spot" Cash.

HAMILTON, ONT., January 28.-John Cash said in the presence of the police to-day that he was a Fenian and was the man who drove the cab in which the man rode who murdered Cavendish and Burke.

CHICAGO, January 28.—The mercury here is 15 below; 26 below at Barlington, Iowa CHICAGO, January 38.—Wheat—Depressed and war, closing about the lowest point of the day at 75.0, cells, for January and February; 88% darech; 88% a85%, May.

Congress. WASHINGTON, January 28 .- House .- Clay reported concurrent resolution providing for counting presidential vote in the hall of the

House. Several bills were introduced and referred NEWS NOTES.

Palmer and Harinet, Cincinnati murderers, are to have new trials, as the result of upreme court decisions in their behalf.

Pollie Graham, of Sevierville, Tennessee shot and killed her father, because he froze

The Hocking investigation does not seem likely to be productive of substantial results, as the committee propose (as is reported) to submit the testimony taken, to the people without " vote or comment."

Solicitor Quilliam, of Liverpool, has been engaged to defend Cunningham, now under arrest for complicity in Saturday's explosions. Ample money is placed at the solicitor's dis

Four unknown burglars made an attempt on the Postoffice at Fort Wayne and they were confronted by M. Baumgartner, the night Marshal, who shot one through the body, killing him instantly. One of the ourglars then shot Baumgartner in the back with a revolver. His recovery is doubtful. The burglars then stole a horse and sleigh and escaped, leaving their dead comrade be-

James Chumley, who killed Charles Lamb in Cincinnati, has been re-arrested and is now in jail, in the city named.

CATAWBA.

Thomas Randall, of Mt. Hope, Kansas, spent last week among his old friends in this community. His mother accompanied him

A series of meetings will commence in the M. P. church on Wednesday evening of this week, to be conducted by the pastor, Rev.

Aunt Katy Runyan received a bard fall several days ago, which has confined her to her room ever since. Mrs. Eli Adams is dangerously ill from

William Jobes, Esq., started on a business

trip to Indiana last Saturday, to be gone several days.

Harry Marsh, from Vienna, has taken a room in the Phonix block.

HOPEWELL.

Parties were the rage last week; one every

On inquiring of the colored people we find that they would not be well pieased if Foraker was nominated for governor, and think they could not support him.

Some of our boys who went to Kentucky found it not the the promised land they thought it was. It did not flow with milk and honey, neither did it take two men to carry one bunch of the fruit. But Wm. H. Shafer bought a small farm at ten dollars per acre. Other lands are offered at twelve and fitteen dollars per acre, with railroad near by and good opportunity to ship or sell produce.

A very interesting protracted meeting is many youthful graces, and preserves a sow being held at the Lutheran church just feminine desire for admiration. One of Mr. and Mrs. John Hess. sr., were very

pleasantly surprised by their neighbors last Thursday night, and everybody had a good

PLATTSBURG.

met with a serious accident last week while crossing the platform in front of the store, slipping, she fell and broke her left arm near

Mrs. Wildssin mother of Dr. Wildssin

Miss Gussie Nicholson is quite sick with malarial favor

The saw-mill, under the new administra tion, is doing a fine business.

Rev. Winget is conducting a protracted neeting at Vienna, Rev. Warner assisting. Mrs. P. McCullough, of Dayton, has been spending a few days in our village, the guest

Mrs. Winget. Miss Annie Winget has returned from visit to Dayton.

Miss Mattie King has returned from he visit to Mexico, Mo. Mr. John Stull and Miss Annie Johnson

were united in marriage on Wednesday evening, January 14, at the residence of A. Campbell, Rev. Winget officiating. The funeral of Mrs. Mary A. Bennett took

place from the Christian church Saturday, January 22. The deceased at the time of her death was 69 years of age. She leaves large circle of friends to mourn her loss.

Carls are out announcing the wedding of Miss Rachel Smith, daughter of John Smith, with Mr. J. P. Trowell, of Kingstown, Pa., February 5, 1885.

Miss Maud Nicholson and Miss Kate Crager are visiting friends at New Carlisle. Coon Johnson's pony is a regular sweep-

stakes. Coon is happy when he holds the

Mary Ann Goodfellow was born in Clark county, Ohio, November 29, 1815; died January 22, 1885, aged 69 years, 1 month and 24 days. She was married to Henry Bennett January 14, 1836. Husband, four daughters, and two sons survive her, the eldest, a son, died in intancy. Mrs. Bennett united with the Christian church at Plattsburg, O., about the year 1852, since which time she has lived a consistent Christian, a loving wife and a devoted mother. During her last iliness, which confined her to her room five weeks, she did not murmur, but said to solicitous

triends that she was "Only waiting till the shadows
Are a little longer grown;"
And just at the dawn of the morning she closed her eyes and tell "Asleep in Jesus

Senator Palmer, of Michigan, who has an income of \$175,000 a year, is said to have purchased a charm in ear ly youth to which he attributes much of his luck. This charm was made in Persia and secured by young Palmer during his three years' wandering in Spain, where he so injured his feet with long tramps that he has been able to wear only cloth shoes since. He said the other day that life was wholly made up of illusions. "The happiest man, said he, "is the one who has the most There are only three real illusions. substantial things that you can get out of life, and the man who has those at the required intervals is as well off as the richest. The three realities are a full stomach, a good suit of clothes, and a bed to sleep in. Everything else belongs to the realm of illusions.

Lobby Ladies. The ladies of the lobby are the great-

The girls of Maine will rejoice to learn est bores to the average Congressman. By this I do not mean the lady lobbythat a New York doctor prescribes chewing gum for dyspeptic patients. Birmingham, Eng., now has the largest railroad station in the world, tol, and the character abounds more It is just finished, at a cost of \$2,000, in fiction than in reality. But there

The light of an electric lamp travels fice-seekers, and adventuresses of different kinds, who come to the Capitol; at the rate of 187,200 miles a second: that of the sun 186,500, and that of a petroleum lamp 186,700. in session. The ladies' reception room

The poor authorities of Paris ask for \$8,000,000 for the coming year. They say they will be compelled to give assistance to 406,0 0 people.

The French reports are trying to eatch the spirit of their American coworkers in the matter of interviewing tilled with about forty ladies, some sit-ting and waiting, and others engaged and writing about distinguished visiin talking to Congressmen. Some of The railway manager is in a bad way.

With all the grangers on one hand, and Wall street upon the other, his outlook is extremely gloomy.—Chicago Daily In some parts of Minnesota one can travel a hundred miles and find none but Swedes, and some of their congrega-

who had come to gossip. I noticed many fresh young girls; on speaking to the polite Confederate Colonel who tions number over a thousand. They also have several missions among the A London cartoonist recently stirred up Gladstone's angry passions. This is the fire case on record in which there was anything in an English cartoon for

any one to get mad at, except the waste

of ink and paper. Captain Chetwynd, of the British navy, who has been pouring oil on troubled waters, concludes that although it may be of great use to ships in an open sea, it is of no practical advantage to lifeboats having to pass through large breakers.

from 100 to 200 ladies in here every day to see Congressmen. They must all apply to me, and I send in their "I will give you my head," exclaimed a person to Montesquieu, "if every word eards by a page. Sometimes the memof the story I have related be not true. "I accept the offer," replied the philo-sopher, "presents of small value "Many of the claimants are meritorious ones, and some of them are very strengthen the bonds of friendship, and needy. They will tell me their pitiful

should never be refused." stories, and once in a while we have a scene here. I have seen many acts of American farmers seem to have good reason to scan with some auxiety the increase of the exportation of frozen meats to England from Australia and South America. In the first nine months of 1884 those countries supplied she would tell her story. The few she called out always gave to her, and I 3,206,300 pounds of frozen meat.

Brazil is said to be the paradise of monopolists. Anybody with money enough to pay for official influence can get a monopoly of any manufacture he wishes. Much of the public land has been thus given away. Every town has its "privileged" butcher, "privileged" baker, etc. Others must keep out. One of the best of the Christmas

stories was written by J. Soule Smith, 'Falcon,' who is a lawyer-journalist of Lexington, Ky. This versatile gentle-man is a good lawyer, an orator, a romancer and a poet. In social life he is the peer of the best gentleman Ken-tucky ever produced. He writes for

the Great Eastern was over \$4,500,000. An outlay of \$3,650,000 broke the original company before she was launched. Another company took up the work, spent \$600,000 and collapsed. Then a last company, with a capital of \$500,-000, finished and launched the leviathan of the sea in 186 t. Charles Fletcher, owner of a big Providence woolen-mill, invariably hires

wages of \$3, \$5, and \$6 progressively per week; but at the end of each year he makes a gift of \$50 to every lad who has made satisfactory advancement in the trade. He thinks this is the best form of an apprentice system. Houses have been established in Paris where any one who desires it is fur nished a slice of bread and a glass of water flavored with a few drops of vine

gar. It is urged that none but the breakfast table this morning what they really destitute will be tempted by such "And what did they conclude?" fare, and a slice of bread and a cup of querried Mr. Straightface, with visions water thus promptly supplied may oftof devotion swimming before his eyes.

'They said they would fire you out en save a helpless one from despair. A boy died of consumption recently of the second-story window," said the at the Connecticut Reform School who had been sent there at the reques tof his Mr. Straightface is now endeavoring father, who charged him with a habit of to determine if married life is really

stealing. It is now alleged the boy was innocent, and died of grief. What a fine specimen of paternal thrift if that is true. But what a foolish boy to grieve at separation from such a father. According to the San Francisco Call, two disks for the thirty-six inch lens of the telescope at the Lick Observatory have been successfully east. Superintendent Fraser gives a good idea of the power of the glass by the statement that it will enable the observer to be-

hold the moon as she would appear to the naked eye at a distance of thirty A Washington letter says: Maltese cats are to supplant pug dogs as the correct feminine pet this winter. At a leading modiste's parlors the other day several fashionable young ladies came n shopping, and each carried a large Maltese cat under her arm and allowed pussy to roam within the limits of the

gilt chain fastened to its collar while the fair owner tried on her new plant. The largest room in the world under ne roof and unbroken by pillars is at St. Petersburg. It is 620 feet long by 150 in breadth. By daylight it is used for military displays, and a battalion can completely maneuver in it. Twenty thousand wax tapers are required to light it. The roof of this structure is a single arch of iron, and it exhibits remarkable engineering skill in the archi-

Miss Nellie Calhoun, a California girl, who became stage-struck in the wilds of San Bernardino, has just been appointed leading lady at the Haymarket Tueatre, London, and on her appearance as Dora in "Diplomacy" achieved a marked success. United States Minister Lowell has now taken her up, on account, it is said, of the memory his kinsman, John C. Calhoun, and will see that she is presented at Court some time before Lent.

Word comes from Brazil that Dr. Dominigas Freire, who has been experimenting with a view to ascertainng the effects of vaccination against yellow fever, has been practically illustrating his theory upon himself and some hundreds of wharf laborers and British seamen. It is noted that not one of the men thus operated upon by attenuated virus has been stricken with the fever, though it has been prevalent among their unvaccinated companions.

San Francisco, received a letter inquir-Sunday is the great day in Paris. ing for a young German, supposed to On this day all the theatrical matinees be living in that city, and announcing take place. On Sunday afternoon there that a fortune of \$30,000 as awaiting are three symphony concerts to choose from, besides the Conservatory conhim in Germany. The letter was published in the newspapers, and in due certs, which begin in January, and course of time the young heir appeared which are said to offer the most perfect at the Mayor's office and was more than performance of orchestral music in delighted at the news of his good for-Europe. People wickedly say that if tune. It is charged now, however, that jected tunnel across the channel the letter was written by the young man himself, with a view to causing a ever bocames a reality the first use Englishmen will make of it will be to young lady to whom he had been enabandon London on Sunday afternoon.

sician acts in good faith a mistake as to the actual fact of insanity will not give a person a cause of action after the certificate has been passed upon by a court. It seems, too, judging from a decision in New England, that in an action against a physician for falsely certifying, through malice or negligence, to the insanity of a person who is thereby committed to an asylum, the burder of proof is on the plaintiff when the pleadings raise the issue as to sanity.

While a protracted meeting was being held in Resaca, Ga., a number of ministers stopped with Mrs. J. W. Davis, and she was sorely perplexed as to the means of getting something good for them to eat. She had tried in vain to get a ham in the place-all having been consumed by the large erowd in attendance—and but small chicken could be found. While shall chicken could be found. While she was busy in the kitchen preparing the chicken, and wondering how he could provide for her guest, a covey of partridges flew into the dining-room. The doors were closed, a number of the birds were caught, and the ministers

fared sumptuously.

An Unexpected Hugging. As the Alleghany Valley Railroad train bound northward stopped at Oil City Monday evening a half-grown girl, accompanied by a man, descended to the platform. The man looked around anxiously, as if in sear h of another train. She was pretty, but there was a restless expression in her eye which indicated an aching void that trains could never fill.

A telegraph messenger-boy, struck with her beauty, gazed at her with a freedom that attracted her wandering attention. Just as the man who ac companied her stepped into the station to inquire if the Buffalo, New York & Philadelphia train was on time the girl flew at the admiring messenger-boy, folded him in her arms, and hugged

him rapturously.

"O, you dear, darling, sweet little thing!" exclaimed the girl in a voice thing!" exclaimed the girl in a voice tremulous with unrestrained emotion. Again she showered kisses upon his heeks, which were blushing as only those of a new-to-the-business messen-ger-boy can blush. Again she frantic-ally pressed him to her bosom and broke out into passionate words, uttered in equally passionate tones: "Kiss me again! O, do kiss me! Don't turn from me."

The boy evidently didn't know what to make of it. He would have enjoyed to more if a crowd had not assembled to witness the proceedings, but he was too bashful to hug before a crowd. He tore himself from her embrace and rushed down the platform. The girl fairly flew after him, like Atalanta in the mythological race. She was gaining on him, and in one minute more would have been hugging him at the end of the platform, when the man

emerged from the station door. "Hello!" said he as he looked at the spot where he had left the girl; "where But the direction which the crowd of loungers had taken made it The cost of building and launching unnecessary for him to finish the ques-He looked down the platform, and in a kind but firm voice shouted

Nellie started as if she had been shot. The fugitive messenger-boy, who was still running as never messenger-boy ran before, had no further attractions for her. Timid and subdued in manner, as though fearful of reproof, she a new boy for a term of three years at rejoined her companion. Just then the Titusville train came up and they got

aboard. "Crazy?" said the handsome station "Yes; he's taking her to the gent. North Warren Asylum. Of course she's crazy. The idea of hugging a little chap like that when _______And

There was a Corsican boy who could

rehearse forty thousand words, wheth-

he disappeared in disgust. Remarkable Memories.

er sense or nonsense, as they were dictated, and then repeat them in the reversed order without making a single mistake. A physician, about sixty years ago, could repeat the whole of "Paradise Lost" without a mistake, although he had not read it for twenty years. Euler, the great mathematician, when he became blind could repeat the whole of Virgil's "Eneid" and could remember the first line and the last line in every page of the particular edition which he had been accustomed to read before he became blind. One kind of retentive memory may be considered as the result of sheer work, a determination toward one particular achieve-ment, without reference either to cultivation or to memory on other subjects. This is frequently shown by persons in humble life in regard to the Bible. An old beggarman at Stirling. known about fifty years ago as "Blind Alick," afforded an instance of this. He knew the whole of the Bible by heart, insomuch that if a sentence was read to him, he could name book chapter, and verse; or if the book, chapter, and verse were named, he could give the exact words. A gentleman, to test him, repeated a verse, purposely making one verbal inaccuracy. Alick hesitated, named the place where the passage was to be found, but at the same time pointed out the verbal error. The same gentleman asked him to repeat the ninetieth verse of the seventh chapter of the book of Numbers. Alick almost instantly replied: "There is no such verse. That chapter has only eighty-nine verses." Gassendi had acquired by heart six thousand Latin verses, and in order to give his memory exercise he was in the habit daily of reciting six hundred verses from different languages. Saunderson, another mathematician, could repeat all Horace's odes, and a great part of the other Latin authors. - Toronto Globe.

Singing the Head Off an Angel. The girls of Trinity Chapel, New

York, were practicing some chorals for the Christmas service. Brother Dix is nothing if not intensely literary in his worshipful duties, and he was just tickled almost to death because he had been able to borrow some ancient music written in the missal style of the six- | vivid dark green color; this means that teenth century. A huge page of the precious melody, with notes as big as plaques, and embellished with heads of leaf is a piece of solid metal, a better saints and angels was displayed on an easel in front of them. They were expected to enthuse mightily over this treasure of art and religion, and raise their voices reverentially to the mumified tune. There was one girl, a high, squeaky soprano, who seemed to have vocal explosion at a certain point, sending one note up like a sky-rocket. Dix was a little startled, and let her try it over and over again, but ever with the same phenomen

"I beg your pardon, Miss Sophie," he said, blandly, "but where do you find that note away up in high C?" She gazed fixedly at the ornate sheet of music, with its conglomeration of notes and cherubim. Then she emitted a te-he and said: "Well, Doctor, if I haven't been singing the head off that bald angel every time I came to it!"— In The New York Medical Journal Mr. H. A. Rilev states that when a nhw-Cor. Ruffalo Express

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The Gold-Beating Art.

If a sheet of gold-leaf is held up against the light it appears to be of ides of the extreme tenuity of thickness of the leaf can be comprehended than by any comparison by figures. Nothing made by the hand of man equals it in thinness. This extreme thinness is produced by patient hammering, the ammers weighing from seven to twenty pounds, the lighter hammers being the first used. When the true method of this beating is understood. the wonder expressed sometimes that gold leaf beating should not be relegated to machinery ceases; the art beongs to the highest department of uman skill and judgment. Apprentices have served a term, and have been compelled to abandon the business. ecause they never could acquire the requisite skill and judgment combined necessary to become successful workmen. - Toronto Globe.